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- (2) An exempt plant as defined in $\S 1000.8(e)$;
- (3) A plant qualified pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section which is not located within any Federal order marketing area, meets the pooling requirements of another Federal order, and has had greater route disposition in such other Federal order marketing area for 3 consecutive months;
- (4) A plant qualified pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section which is located in another Federal order marketing area, meets the pooling standards of the other Federal order, and has not had a majority of its route disposition in this marketing area for 3 consecutive months or is locked into pool status under such other Federal order without regard to its route disposition in any other Federal order marketing area:
- (5) A plant qualified pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section which also meets the pooling requirements of another Federal order and from which greater qualifying shipments are made to plants regulated under such other order than are made to plants regulated under the order in this part, or such plant has automatic pooling status under such other order; and
- (6) That portion of a pool plant designated as a "nonpool plant" that is physically separate and operated separately from the pool portion of such plant. The designation of a portion of a regulated plant as a nonpool plant must be requested in writing by the handler and must be approved by the market administrator.

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§ 1005.8 Nonpool plant.

See §1000.8.

§1005.9 Handler.

See § 1000.9.

§ 1005.10 Producer-handler.

Producer-handler means a person who:
(a) Operates a dairy farm and a distributing plant from which there is route disposition in the marketing area, and from which total route disposition and packaged sales of fluid milk products to other plants during

the month does not exceed 3 million pounds;

- (b) Receives no fluid milk products, and acquires no fluid milk products for route disposition, from sources other than own farm production;
- (c) Disposes of no other source milk as Class I milk except by increasing the nonfat milk solids content of the fluid milk products received from own farm production; and
- (d) Provides proof satisfactory to the market administrator that the care and management of the dairy animals and other resources necessary to produce all Class I milk handled, and the processing and packaging operations are the producer-handler's own enterprise and are operated at the producer-handler's own risk.
- (e) Any producer-handler with Class I route dispositions and/or transfers of packaged fluid milk products in the marketing area described in §1131.2 of this chapter shall be subject to payments into the Order 1131 producer settlement fund on such dispositions pursuant to §1000.76(a) and payments into the Order 1131 administrative fund provided such dispositions are less than three million pounds in the current month and such producer-handler had total Class I route dispositions and/or transfers of packaged fluid milk products from own farm production of three million pounds or more the previous month. If the producer-handler has Class I route dispositions and/or transfers of packaged fluid milk products into the marketing area described in §1131.2 of this chapter of three million pounds or more during the current month, such producer-handler shall be subject to the provisions described in §1131.7 of this chapter or §1000.76(a).

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§1005.11 [Reserved]

§ 1005.12 Producer.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, *producer* means any person who produces milk approved by a duly constituted regulatory agency for fluid consumption as Grade A milk and whose milk (or components of milk) is:

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- (1) Received at a pool plant directly from the producer or diverted by the plant operator in accordance with \$1005.13; or
- (2) Received by a handler described in §1000.9(c).
 - (b) Producer shall not include:
- (1) A producer-handler as defined in any Federal order;
- (2) A dairy farmer whose milk is received at an exempt plant, excluding producer milk diverted to the exempt plant pursuant to \\$1005.13(d);
- (3) A dairy farmer whose milk is received by diversion at a pool plant from a handler regulated under another Federal order if the other Federal order designates the dairy farmer as a producer under that order and that milk is allocated by request to a utilization other than Class I; and
- (4) A dairy farmer whose milk is reported as diverted to a plant fully regulated under another order with respect to that portion of the milk so diverted that is assigned to Class I under the provisions of such other order.

§1005.13 Producer milk.

Except as provided for in paragraph (e) of this section, *Producer milk* means the skim milk (or the skim equivalent of components of skim milk) and butterfat contained in milk of a producer that is:

- (a) Received by the operator of a pool plant directly from a producer or a handler described in §1000.9(c). All milk received pursuant to this paragraph shall be priced at the location of the plant where it is first physically received:
- (b) Received by a handler described in §1000.9(c) in excess of the quantity delivered to pool plants;
- (c) Diverted by a pool plant operator to another pool plant. Milk so diverted shall be priced at the location of the plant to which diverted; or
- (d) Diverted by the operator of a pool plant or a handler described in §1000.9(e) to a nonpool plant, subject to the following conditions:
- (1) In any month of July through December, not less than 1 days' production of the producer whose milk is diverted is physically received at a pool plant during the month;

- (2) In any month of January through June, not less than 1 days' production of the producer whose milk is diverted is physically received at a pool plant during the month;
- (3) The total quantity of milk so diverted during the month by a cooperative association shall not exceed 25 percent during the months of July through November, January, and February, and 35 percent during the months of December and March through June, of the producer milk that the cooperative association caused to be delivered to, and physically received at, pool plants during the month, excluding the total pounds of bulk milk received directly from producers meeting the conditions as described in §1005.82(c)(2)(ii) and (iii), and for which a transportation credit is requested:
- (4) The operator of a pool plant that is not a cooperative association may divert any milk that is not under the control of a cooperative association that diverts milk during the month pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section. The total quantity of milk so diverted during the month shall not exceed 25 percent during the months of July through November, January, and February, and 35 percent during the months of December and March through June, of the producer milk physically received at such plant (or such unit of plants in the case of plants that pool as a unit pursuant to §1005.7(e)) during the month, excluding the quantity of producer milk received from a handler described in §1000.9(c) of this chapter and excluding the total pounds of bulk milk received directly from producers meeting the conditions as described in §1005.82(c)(2)(ii) and (iii), and for which a transportation credit is requested;
- (5) Any milk diverted in excess of the limits prescribed in paragraphs (d)(3) and (4) of this section shall not be producer milk. If the diverting handler or cooperative association fails to designate the dairy farmers' deliveries that will not be producer milk, no milk diverted by the handler or cooperative association shall be producer milk;
- (6) Diverted milk shall be priced at the location of the plant to which diverted; and